



November 12, 2004

Jim Christiansen EPA Region VIII 999 18<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 300 Denver, CO 80202

RE:

Libby Railyard Biotite Removal, Libby, Montana

EMR Project No. 5539.004

November 5, 2004 Weekly Progress Report

Dear Mr. Christiansen,

Per the Administrative Order on Consent for Removal, the following is the Weekly Progress Report submitted by EMR, Inc. (EMR) on behalf of the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) for the Libby Railyard, Montana, Libby Asbestos Site, Libby Montana. In addition to this report, EMR will also be responsible for the required monthly report on this project through the close of this project.

## **CURRENT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**

Envirocon, Inc. (Envirocon) completed cutting and grading on site. They also graded the City of Libby property where trailers and vehicles were staged during site activities

Montana Rail Services returned to the site and loaded gondolas with steel and staged the cars off site.

Ms. Courtney Zamora of the US DOT Volpe Center and Mr. Shawn Olivera of CDM Federal Programs conducted a site walk through on November 2, 2004; Ms. Zamora and Mr. Olivera did not identify any areas that were deficient and did not note any concerns.

## PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

No problems have been encountered to date.

## **ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS**

A final walk through has been scheduled for the EPA and BNSF representatives on November 11, 2004

If you have any questions or require further explanation concerning the above information, please call Tanya Drake of EMR at (763) 277-5200, Chuck Soule of Kennedy/Jenks Consultants at (253) 874-0555, or David Smith of BNSF at (406) 447-2307.

Sincerely, EMR, Inc.

Tanya Drake

**Project Coordinator** 

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Ms. Courtney Zamora, Volpe Federal Programs, Libby, Montana

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